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<u>CERTIFIED MAIL 7008-3230-0003-0724-9554</u> RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Reno Ronco President Quicksilver Resources, Inc. P.O. Box 2150 Cut Bank, MT 59427

Re:

Underground Injection Control (UIC)

Notice of Violation

Failure to Submit Annular Pressures on Annual Monitoring Report

Glacier County, MT

Dear Mr. Ronco:

Owners and operators of Class II injection wells are required to submit annual monitoring reports, and when applicable, a chemical analysis of injected fluids for the prior calendar year by February 15. The Environmental Protection Agency's records indicate that we have received incomplete annual monitoring reports for the wells listed in the table below for calendar year 2013. These reports, which include the monthly minimum and maximum annular pressures, are required by the permit for the wells operated by Quicksilver Resources, Inc. The form 7520-11, Annual Disposal/Injection Well Monitoring Report, has columns for recording minimum and maximum tubing-casing annulus pressures. Even though column heading indicates that annular pressure reporting is optional, reporting of annular pressures is not optional if the UIC permit for a well states that it is required. Quicksilver Resources, Inc.'s failure to comply with this requirement is a violation of the permits for its wells.

The wells listed below are in violation of this requirement:

| Well Name | UIC Permit | Missing information |
|-------------|---------------|---------------------|
| TSCBSU 9 | MT20485-01951 | Annular pressures |
| CBAU 1-14 H | MT20485-03744 | Annular pressures |

If you have the missing monitoring data, please submit it to the EPA immediately.

Failure to comply with a UIC Permit, or the UIC regulations found at 40 CFR Parts 144 through148 constitute one or more violations of the Safe Drinking Water Act, 42 U.S.C. § 300h. Such non-compliance may subject you to formal enforcement by the EPA, as codified at 40 CFR Part 22.

If you have any questions concerning this letter, you may contact Don Breffle at (303) 312-6198. Please direct all correspondence to the attention of Don Breffle at Mail Code 8ENF-UFO.

Sincerely,

Arturo Palomares, Director

Water Technical Enforcement Program Office of Enforcement, Compliance

and Environmental Justice

cc: The Honorable Harry Barnes, Chairman, Blackfeet Tribe Gerald Wagner, Environmental Director, Blackfeet Tribe George Hudak, Montana Board of Oil & Gas Conservation